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Applicant:)	For: "Chitinase Materials and
)	Methods"
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.115

WITH

DECLARATION OF PATRICK GRAY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

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In an Office Action mailed July 7, 1997 (hereafter "the Action") in the above-identified patent application, claims 13-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, claims 1-6, 13-18, 26 and 27 were rejected under §102(a) and claims 7-12 and 29 were rejected under §103(a). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks. This response is timely filed as a petition for a two month extension of time is filed herewith.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

In claim 13, line 1, after "isolated" insert --human--.

Please cancel claims 19-31 without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue claims of similar scope in a duly filed continuing application.